

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 ATHENS 07568 172027Z

61

ACTION IO-06

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 AF-04 ARA-06 EA-06 EUR-08 NEA-06 RSC-01

SSO-00 NSCE-00 USIE-00 INRE-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03

H-01 INR-05 L-01 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02

SS-15 OMB-01 AID-05 DRC-01 /079 W
----- 026806

O P 171830Z OCT 74

FM AMEMBASSY ATHENS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5941

USMISSION USUN NEW YORK IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY TOKYO PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L ATHENS 7568

E.O. 11652 GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UNGA, CB, GR

SUBJECT: KHMER REPRESENTATION AT 29TH UNGA

REF: A. ATHENS 7470 B. STATE 225539

1. DCM THIS MORNING (OCTOBER 17) MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS, JOHN TZOUNIS, TO FOLLOW UP EMBASSY'S EARLIER APPROACH TO PETROPOULOS (REFTEL A) ON KHMER REPRESENTATION. SINCE DEPUTY FONMIN BITSIOS WAS SWORN IN THIS MORNING AS FOREIGN MINISTER IN CARAMANLIS SERVICE GOVERNMENT, TZOUNIS IS NUMBER TWO IN FONMIN HIERARCHY.

2. DCM REVIEWED THE BASIC REASONS FOR SUPPORTING FRIENDLY RESOLUTION ON KHMER REPRESENTATION AND OPPOSING UNFRIENDLY EFFORTS TO DENY LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF CAMBODIA ITS SEAT AT UN. TZOUNIS REPLIED THAT GREEK GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT VOTE IN FAVOR OF HOSTILE RESOLUTION BUT HAD TO KEEP IN MIND ATTITUDE OF NON-ALIGNED STATES WHOSE SUPPORT GOG WOULD NEED IN CYPRUS DEBATE. INSTRUCTIONS
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 ATHENS 07568 172027Z

HAD BEEN SENT TO GREEK PERMANENT REP KARAYIANNIS GIVING

HIM DISCRETION ON WHETHER TO VOTE AGAINST OR ABSTAIN ON RESOLUTION HOSTILE TO LON NOL GOVERNMENT. HIS DECISION WOULD BE MADE IN LIGHT OF TACTICAL SITUATION IN NEW YORK AND HIS JUDGMENT OF AFFECT GREEK VOTE ON KHMER REPRESENTATION WOULD HAVE ON POSITION OF NON-ALIGNED STATES IN CYPRUS DEBATE. TZOUNIS COMMENTED THAT IT WOULD BE EASIER FOR GREECE TO GIVE US FULL SUPPORT ON KHMER REP IF CYPRUS ITEM WAS DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION OF CAMBODIAN ISSUE.

3. DCM SAID THAT IN HIS VIEW GREECE'S PREOCCUPATION WITH CYPRUS WAS ITSELF STRONGEST POSSIBLE REASON FOR OPPOSING EFFORTS TO UNSEAT LON NON GOVERNMENT. GREECE PLACED GREAT EMPHASIS ON SOVEREIGNTY OF CYPRUS GOVERNMENT AND HAD STATED THAT IT WOULD OPPOSE EFFORTS IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO GIVE TURKISH CYPRIOTS EQUAL VOICE IN PLENARY. GREEK ABSENTATION ON RESOLUTION HOSTILE TO LON NOL WOULD, IN DCM'S OPINION, WEAKEN GREEK ARGUMENTS IN CYPRUS DEBATE AND MIGHT EVEN BE CONSTRUED TO CONSTITUTE PRECEDENT FOR CHANGING CYPRUS REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF TURKISH CYPRIOTS.

4. TZOUNIS LISTENED CAREFULLY TO THIS LINE OF REASONING AND SAID FONMIN WOULD REVIEW GREEK POSITION ON KHMER REPRESENTATION. HE REPEATED THAT PRESSURES ON GREECE FROM NON-ALIGNED WOULD BE EASED IF CYPRUS DEBATE PRECEDED VOTE OF KHMER CREDENTIALS.

5. AT LUNCHEON MEETING SHORTLY AFTER THIS CONVERSATION, FONMIN BITSIOS TOLD AMBASSADOR AND DCM THAT TZOUNIS HAD REPORTED TO HIM DCM'S ARGUMENTS WHICH BITSIOS CONSIDERED "PERSUASIVE." WHILE HE MADE NO REPEAT NO PROMISES, BITSIOS CONFIRMED THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY WOULD REASSESS GREEK POSITION TO SEE WHETHER INSTRUCTIONS COULD BE SENT TO GREEK UN MISSION TO GIVE ACTIVE SUPPORT TO GRC POSITION.

6. COMMENT: WE CANNOT YET SAY WHETHER "REVIEW" OF GOG POSITION WILL RESULT IN MORE FORTHCOMING GREEK ATTITUDE BUT WE BELIEVE THAT GREEKS HAVE BEEN GIVEN CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 ATHENS 07568 172027Z

FOOD FOR THOUGHT AND MAY DECIDE THAT THEIR OWN INTERESTS WILL BEST BE SERVED BY FULL SUPPORT FOR GKR. SUGGEST THAT USUN FOLLOW UP WITH KARAYIANNIS WHO MEANWHILE CONTINUES TO HAVE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY WHETHER TO ABSTAIN OR VOTE AGAINST UNFRIENDLY MOTION.
KUBISCH

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: CREDENTIALS PRESENTATION, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 17 OCT 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: shawdg
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974ATHENS07568
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740296-0239
From: ATHENS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19741040/aaaabee.tel
Line Count: 113
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A. ATHENS 7470 B. STATE 225539
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: shawdg
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 15 MAY 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <15 MAY 2002 by shawdg>; APPROVED <18 MAR 2003 by shawdg>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: KHMER REPRESENTATION AT 29TH UNGA
TAGS: PFOR, CB, GR, UNGA
To: STATE USUN NEW YORK
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005